

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

SEPTEMBER 20, 2016

5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Gary Cameron, Ron Jarman, and Dr. John Williams answered roll call. Darrin McGowan was not present. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES: Cameron moved to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2016 meeting as presented. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police – Chief Tucker reported that they have received the grant from the Coordinating Council for portable breath testing equipment.

Tucker also reported that the Reserve Unit held a fund raiser at Rush Fest and raised \$350.00.

Fire – Fire Chief Jenkins reported that Nick Hatfield completed his testing with Perf. We are waiting to receive the results.

Jenkins informed the Board that the 3rd set of BEP properties have been removed and seeded. We will start on the 4th set next week beginning with the asbestos testing.

October 7th the Fire Department will have an open house and chili supper to raise money for Toys for Tots. The event will be from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Street – Commissioner Miller provided the Board with a list of streets that they have been crack sealing. He said they hope to complete the crack sealing tomorrow.

Miller said the railroad crossings on Spencer, Arthur and Perkins Streets will be closed for approximately 1 week for repairs. The next crossings to be repaired will be Sexton and Morgan Streets.

Miller asked permission to hire a couple of employees for 2 weeks at \$8.00 per hour to assist with heavy trash. Williams moved to allow Miller to hire additional help for a period of 2 weeks at \$8.00 per hour. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Animal – Animal Warden Moran said they are in the process of updating their computer program to make it more user friendly.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Rushview Mobile Home Park Construction Report** – No report.
2. **Fire Department Hiring** – Discussed.
3. **Title VI Policy and Plan Schedule** – The policy was distributed to 10 people that would be affected. The responses were positive with no comments.
4. **Revitalization Program** – Eric Frye said there are approximately 6 vacant properties that will be sold after the releases have been filed.
5. **Code Enforcement Recommendation Permitting** – Jenkins asked for additional time.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **HWC Contract Payment Restructuring** – Mayor Pavey said we are waiting on the revisions for the new payment structure.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: Chief Jenkins reported that he has had an issue with high grass at 820 E 10th Street. He notified the owners in July and they mowed the grass. He notified them again September 6 and it still has not been mowed. He tried to contact them, to no avail. Jenkins asked how the Board would like him to proceed. Newhouse said they should be notified either by certified mail or hand delivered and then give them 10 days to comply.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before the Board; Williams moved to adjourn. Jarman seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.